

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is being made upon entry of International Application No. PCT/US03/17837 into the U.S. National Phase of prosecution. In the specification, a new paragraph has been added to the first line of the specification to include the priority information. An Abstract on a separate sheet is attached as required under 37 CFR 1.72(b). Claims 15, 47 and 48 have been cancelled in order to put the claim set in the proper U.S. format. Entry of this amendment into the record is requested.

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Invented are non-peptide TPO mimetics. Also invented are novel processes and intermediates used in the preparation of the presently invented compounds. Also invented is a method of treating thrombocytopenia, in a mammal, including a human, in need thereof which comprises administering to such mammal an effective amount of a selected hydroxy-1-azobenzene derivative.